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SUBJ: REPRESENTATION AT IEA GOVERNING BOARD MEETING ON R&D

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1. PRESENTATION ALONG LINES REFTEL MADE ORALLY TO PHILIPPE LEVY, SECTION CHIEF, OECD AFFAIRS, DIVISION OF COMMERCE, AND IN WRITING TO AMBASSADOR PIERRE LANGUETIN, DELEGATE FOR TRADE, DIVISION OF COMMERCE, WHO WILL PROBABLY HEAD THE SWISS DELEGATION TO THE GB MEETING.
 2. LEVY SAID THAT THE SWISS FULLY SHARE THE US VIEW OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS MEETING AND THE NEED TO MAKE DECISIONS NOW, SINCE THE RESULTS OF THESE DECISIONS AND THE BENEFITS FROM THEM IN TERMS OF DIVERSIFICATION OF SOURCES OF SUPPLY CAN ONLY BECOME AVAILABLE TEN OR MORE YEARS FROM NOW.
 3. THE SWISS HAVE NOT TAKEN FIRM POSITIONS ON THE TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED AT THE NOV 20-21 MEETING. THEIR PRELIMINARY THINKING IS THAT IT IS TIME TO CLOSE THE DISCUSSION OF PROCEDURAL ISSUES. THE EFFORT TO WRITE GENERAL RULES COVERING EVERY CONCEIVABLE POSSIBILITY SHOULD GIVE WAY TO A CASE-BY-CASE APPROACH BASED ON THE ASSESSMENT OF ENERGY R&D NEEDS OF IEA MEMBER COUNTRIES.
 4. THE SWISS BELIEVE THAT WHILE THIS MEETING MAY ACCOMPLISH A GOOD DEAL, AT LEAST ONE OR TWO FURTHER MEETINGS OF THE GB DEVOTED TO ENERGY R&D WILL BE NECESSARY IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN MOMENTUM.
 5. THE SWISS DELEGATION, IN ADDITION TO LANGUETIN, WILL INCLUDE DR. URS HOCHSTRASSER, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND RESEARCH, DEPT OF THE INTERIOR.
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